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SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2005-2006 ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING

Outcome: 1 & 2

Output Group: 1.2 – Assistance for individuals including those with special needs

2.5 – Assistance for post-school students including those with special

needs

DEST Question No. E884_06

Senator Stott Despoja provided in writing.

Question:

Student Income Support Inquiry also recommended "the Government commission an independent expert panel to review the performance and effectiveness of the student income support system". Please provide details of the progress of this review.

Answer:

Review of performance of student income support system

The Government is considering this recommendation along with all the recommendations contained in the Senate Employment, Workplace Relations and Education References Committee's Report *Student Income Support*. The Government will release its response to the recommendations in due course.